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Application No. 09/719,338		Filing Date January 17, 2001		Examiner C. L. Anderson	
				Art Unit 3761	
Applicant(s): James WESTPHAL et al.					
Invention: UNITARY ABSORBENT STRUCTURE CONTAINING SUPERABSORBENT POLYMER					
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.